

Examples & Ways to start a New Christian Community

Starting point	Options
Children and families	<p>Bubble Church – a short creative service with puppets for children and families/carers (https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=ZuMnkvjk_0k)</p> <p>Messy Church – an all-age expression of church that gathers families to make, to eat and to celebrate God. (https://www.messychurch.brf.org.uk)</p> <p>Choir Church - a model for new worshipping communities, built around children's choirs in schools, led in partnership with local churches (https://www.choirchurch.com)</p>
Schools and young people	<p>Flourish – a new worshipping community embedded in the life of a school, with young people leading, in partnership with a local parish (https://www.churchofengland.org/media/press-releases/new-network-worshipping-communities-schools-and-colleges-launches-pilot-phase)</p> <p>Missional Youth Church Network (MYCN) – new worshipping communities in third spaces, such as after school clubs, often working in low-income areas (https://www.mycn.org.uk)</p>
Starting on an estate	<p>CCX Estates Mission (Gregory Centre for Church Multiplication) – support, resources and courses to help launch new communities on estates (https://ccx.org.uk/estates/)</p> <p>Proximity – a hub to support urban mission (https://proximityhub.org)</p> <p>Centre for Theology and Community – asset-based community development and mission, working in the sacramental tradition (https://www.ctcuk.org)</p> <p>Diocesan initiatives include: M:Power (Blackburn) and Mustard Seed (York)</p>
Starting in homes or with a lay team	<p>Myriad – training and mentoring for launching a lay-led new worshipping community (https://olp.myriad.church)</p>
In a new space	<p>Café Church (https://www.theresourcehub.co.uk/cafe-church)</p> <p>In a Pub (e.g., https://ccx.org.uk/content/oadby/)</p>
Planting a new church or revitalising a parish	<p>CCX (Gregory Centre for Church Multiplication) – support, resources and courses for church planting (https://ccx.org.uk/)</p> <p>New Wine – support for planting in the New Wine network (https://www.new-wine.org/networks-ministries/church-pioneering-planting/)</p>
Connecting with a new group and developing	<p>Fresh expressions – see, for instance, the Mission Shaped Podcast (https://freshexpressions.org.uk/get-connected/the-mission-shaped-podcast/)</p>

something new	<p>Greenhouse – coaching and support groups for starting a new community through a listening process (https://www.churchofengland.org/about/fresh-expressions/what-greenhouse)</p> <p>Godsend – a practical toolkit to help you form new Christian communities with people who were not previously attending church (https://godsend.cloud)</p> <p>Northern Mission Centre – courses and innovation support for fresh expressions and pioneering (https://godforall.org.uk/northern-mission-centre/)</p> <p>Pioneering Parishes – tools to help parishes take their first steps in pioneering (https://churchmissionsociety.org/pioneering-parishes/)</p>
Building on an existing social or service initiative	<p>Soul Space - for groups that host outreach activities and who want to gently introduce a spiritual element into these spaces (cofe.io/soul-space)</p>
All cultures together, or a specific cultural focus	<p>Intercultural Church – supported by the Anglican Network for Intercultural Churches – (https://anic.org.uk // see also https://stpaulsslough.org.uk/intercultural-mission-resources/)</p> <p>Ethno-linguistic congregations – e.g., Farsi, Tamil (see https://www.manchester.anglican.org/faithlife/growing/intercultural-mission-/)</p> <p>Hope-Filled Conversations Conference - 16-17th January, Swanwick (https://www.tickettailor.com/events/emmanueltheologicalcollege/1239661?)</p>
With older people	<p>Anna Chaplaincy - BRF</p> <p>Hymns we love – an evangelistic series using hymns (https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/series/hymns-we-love/)</p>
Outdoors / active	<p>Forest Church (http://www.mysticchrist.co.uk/forest_church)</p> <p>Messy Church Goes Wild (https://www.messychurch.brf.org.uk/latest/projects/messy-church-goes-wild/)</p> <p>Football Church (https://churchsupporthub.org/all-resources/how-to-start-a-football-outreach-project-and-why-it-works/ // https://www.woodlandchurch.net/woodies-kids)</p> <p>Sweaty Church (https://sweatychurch.org.uk)</p> <p>Mountain Pilgrims (https://www.mountainpilgrims.org.uk)</p>
Digital	<p>The Way – digital content for youth (https://www.instagram.com/thewayuk/?hl=en)</p>
Work-based	<p>Workplace resources – (https://www.transformwork.net/Groups/422430/About_Us.aspx)</p>